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SUBJECT: CIVAIR ANTI-HIJACKING PASSENGER PRESCREENING

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- 1. THE THREE AMERICAN AIR CARRIERS SERVING JAMAICA ARE EASTERN, PAN AMERICAN AND DELTA. MANAGERS OF THE AIRLINES STATED THAT THEIR PRESCREENING SYSTEMS GENERALLY CONFORM WITH FAA REGULATIONS
- 2. IN KINGSTON AND MONTEGO BAY EASTERN AND PAN AMERICAN SHARE PASSENGER SCREENING FACILITIES WHICH INCLUDE THE WALK-THROUGH MAGNETOMETER AND HAND-HELD SCREENING DEVICES. ALL HAND LUGGAGE IS EXAMINED BY UNIFORMED SECURITY GUARDS WHO WORK UNDER CONTRACT FOR THE AIRLINES. PASSENGERS ARE NOT NORMALLY PHYSICALLY TOUCHED DURING SEARCH
- 3. IN MONTEGO BAY, DELTA USES A SIMILAR EXAMINATION PROCESS. BODY CONTACT SEARCHES ARE OCCASIONALLY CONDUCTED WITH PERMISSION OF THE PASSENGER.
- 4 ARMED GUARDS ARE NOT NORMALLY STATIONED AT THE EXIT POINT TO THE AIRCRAFT. IF A PASSENGER IS TO BE UNCLASSIFIED

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TOLD THAT HE WILL NOT BE GRANTED ACCESS TO THE PLANE,

AIRPORT POLICE OF ARMED GUARDS ARE CALLED TO THE EXIT AND ARE ON HAND AT THE TIME THE PASSENGER IS INFORMED.

- 5. AIRLINES REPORT THAT AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE SECURITY AROUND AIRCRAFT IS UNDERWAY. QUOTE STERILE UNQUOTE FACILITIES FOR SCREENED PASSENGERS WHO MUST TEMPORARILY WAIT PRIOR TO BOARDING ARE ALSO BEING IMPROVED.
- 6. AIRLINE REPRESENTATIVES SEEM GENERALLY PLEASED WITH THE ATTITUDE OF THE JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT TOWARD AIRLINE PRESCREENING SYSTEMS. A NUMBER OF NON-U.S. CARRIERS ARE USING PRESCREENING; HOWEVER, AIR JAMAICA AT PRESENT DOES NOT USE PRESCREENING OF ANY SORT. HEWITT

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